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Moved by: _____

Prepared by: Rebecca Good

Seconded by: _____

Reviewed by: John B. Turner, Jr.

RESOLUTION AWARDING COUNTY FUNDS FROM THE FY 2017
OPERATING BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000.00 TO BRIDGES USA,
INC., A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION. SPONSORED BY CHAIRMAN
MELVIN BURGESS.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Community Enhancement Program Resolution (Agenda Item No. 24) passed on August 1, 2016 (the "CEP Resolution"), the Shelby County Board of Commissioners created a Community Enhancement Program and established policies and guidelines for the appropriation and disbursement of County funds to governmental entities and non-profit civic and charitable organizations meeting certain criteria, as set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, Said CEP Resolution provides that all grant appropriations pursuant to the Community Enhancement Program shall promote the general welfare of the residents of Shelby County and shall only be available to support public safety activities, cultural activities, community development activities, as well as County and municipal infrastructure improvements within Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, Said Resolution provides that community enhancement grant proceeds must be used for one (1) or more of the following purposes: programs, services, operating costs, equipment, construction, renovation and maintenance projects within Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, Said Resolution provides that such grants shall be approved to specific entities by resolution of the County Board of Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE, That funds from the FY2017 Operating Budget are hereby allocated and awarded to BRIDGES USA, Inc., in the amount of \$5,000.00 as a grant listed in Exhibit A hereto for the projects detailed in the attached plan of services for the grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That said grant proceeds must promote the general welfare of the residents of Shelby County and support public safety activities, cultural activities, community development activities, as well as County and municipal infrastructure improvements, and must be used for one (1) or more of the following purposes: programs, services, operating costs, equipment, construction, renovation and maintenance projects within Shelby County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer shall prepare and execute a grant contract with the specific entities designated herein within thirty (30) days of the grantee's compliance with the grant awarding conditions set forth in the CEP Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That payment of grant funds shall be made as provided by the CEP Resolution and the grant contract.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Mayor and the Director of Administration and Finance are hereby authorized to issue their warrant or warrants for all amounts appropriated herein, and to take proper credit in their accounting therefor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Resolution shall become effective in accordance with the Shelby County Charter, Article II, Section 2.06(B).

Mark H. Luttrell, Jr.
Shelby County Mayor

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Clerk of County Commission

ADOPTED: _____

Exhibit A
Community Enhancement Grants
FY 2017

Per Resolution (Agenda Item No. __) passed _____, 2017

BRIDGES USA, Inc.

Grant Agency BRIDGES USA, Inc.

Type of Grant Program

Grant Amount \$5,000.00

Sponsor(s) Chairman Melvin Burgess

Purpose BRIDGES' mission is to unite and inspire diverse young people to become confident and courageous leaders committed to community transformation. Its work is creating a pipeline of community-minded and culturally competent youth prepared to enter our workforce and lift up Memphis through their actions. Funding is being requested through the County Commission Community Enhancement Grant program to support low-income youth in the year-long Bridge Builders® program which includes the following activities: week-Long Summer Leadership Conference (50 hours of programming for grades 7 – 10; 72 hours for grades 11 – 12) and six 2 -3 hour trainings during the school year (14 – 18 hours of programming), focused on diversity appreciation, leadership and civic engagement. These experiences include hands-on experiential learning activities that develop leadership skills, help students work within a diverse team, and apply their new knowledge and skills through community action projects. Students will gain: effective leadership concepts and practices and opportunities to develop leadership skills, including critical thinking, conflict resolution, effective communication, and decision making. Additionally, they will earn six hours of college and/or high school credit through the Tennessee Dual Enrollment program (11th and 12th grades.) BRIDGES' criteria for success

are the positive increase in knowledge, attitudes, and values reflecting three outcome areas: Leadership, Diversity, and Civic Engagement.